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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named Applicant: Bell ) Art Unit: 2161  
Serial No.: 09/448,253 ) ) Examiner: Sherr  
Filed: November 24, 1999 ) ) AM9-99-0122  
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUTHORIZED ) May 22, 2002  
COMPRESSION OF DIGITIZED MUSIC ) 750 B STREET, Suite 3120  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN CPA IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2002, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

**In the Declaration:**

Please substitute the enclosed inventor's declaration, correcting the serial number, for the original declaration. The enclosed attorney's declaration attests to why only one of two inventors has signed the enclosed inventor's declaration.

**In the Claims:**

Please add the following new claims:

21. A computer program storage device including a program of instructions for determining whether a request to compress and record digitized music should be honored, the program of instructions undertaking method acts comprising: